

FCD  
652CLASSIFICATION ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
INFORMATION REPORT

CONFIDENTIAL

COUNTRY China

SUBJECT Revolt of Farmers in Chekiang

PLACE 25X1  
ACQUIRED 

Return to CIA Library

DATE OF 25X1  
INFO. REPORT NO.  25X1

CD NO.

DATE DISTR. 30 Jan. 1950

NO. OF PAGES 1

NO. OF ENCLS.  
(LISTED BELOW)SUPPLEMENT TO  
REPORT NO.

--

25X1

THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION

25X1

THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS INFORMATION AFFECTING THE NATIONAL SECURITY OF THE UNITED STATES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE ESPIONAGE ACT OF U. S. C. §1 AND 32, AS AMENDED. ITS TRANSMISSION OR THE REVELATION OF ITS CONTENTS IN ANY MANNER TO AN UNAUTHORIZED PERSON IS PROHIBITED BY LAW. REPRODUCTION OF THIS FORM IS PROHIBITED.

1. On 2 December 1949 the farmers of Yun Ch'eng (運城) and T'ao Hua (桃化), villages of the Wantan (119-29, 29-09) district, Lanchi Hsien, appealed to the hsien government for exemption from food comandeering. During an official meeting in the hsien government offices to discuss the grievances, word got out that the farmers' representatives had been killed. A crowd of more than a thousand farmers waiting outside rushed the troops guarding the offices, took two light machine guns and about eighty rifles, and killed the hsien magistrate, the assistant magistrate, and twenty other officials. The farmers also released all prisoners.
2. Mobs subsequently attacked and destroyed local magistrates' offices, public security bureau offices, revenue offices, and People's Bank offices, killing officials and police in the Houjen (119-23, 29-16) Nu Pu (女浦) and Huo Ch'ang (火昌) districts. These mobs were made up of more than 4,000 farmers, and they were encouraged by the success of the revolt in the Wantan district.
3. By 4 January 1950 Communist troops from an adjacent hsien arrived to put down the revolt, killing about seventy farmers. Some farmers have joined the anti-Communist guerrillas in the mountains.
4. When farmers in Chuchi Hsien (120-13, 29-44) and Iwu Hsien (120-03, 29-18) refused to pay taxes in kind, Communist authorities, fearing another revolt, sent political workers in to explain the Lanchi Hsien incident. The agents are saying that the revolts are the work of Kuomintang agents, four of whom have been executed.

This document is hereby regraded to CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with the letter of 18 October 1978 from the Director of Central Intelligence to the Archivist of the United States.  
Next Review Date: 2008

006

Document No.	006
No Change in Class.	<input type="checkbox"/>
X Declassified	
Class. Chaged To	TS S C
Auth.:	HR 70-2
Date:	6 JUN 1978
By:	<span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 50px; height: 1.2em; vertical-align: middle;"></span>

CLASSIFICATION ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

25X1

STATE	NAVY #	NSRB	DISTRIBUTION					
ARMY #	X AIR	X FBI						

CONFIDENTIAL